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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: U.S. Application No. 10/669,888
Filed: September 25, 2003
Title: Nucleic Acid Constructs and Methods for
Producing Altered Seed Oil Compositions
Applicants: JoAnne J. FILLATTI *et al.*
Atty. Docket: 16518.133

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. an Amendment and Response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2006; and
2. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 16518.133. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed March 15, 2006

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that are otherwise be provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if any additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-2387, referencing docket number 16518.133. Applicant(s) likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-2387 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.